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FM AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

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SUBJECT: COSTA RICA POSTAL DEBT

REF: A) STATE 240015; B) STATE A-4093

1. EMBASSY NOW HAS NOTE FROM COSTA RICAN FOREIGN MINISTRY INDICATING THAT STEPS ARE UNDERWAY TO PAY POSTAL DEBT. EMBASSY DISCUSSED MATTER SEPT. 28, WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY (USA DESK OFFICER SRA. HERNANDEZ) TO GET FURTHER DETAILS. SRA. HERNANDEZ, ON BASIS OF LETTER FROM MINISTRY OF GOVERNMENT (WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR POSTAL AFFAIRS) AND HER DISCUSSION WITH THAT MINISTRY, STATES THAT PROVISION WILL BE MADE FOR PAYMENT IN THE ORDINARY BUDGET FOR 1977 WHICH IS BEING PREPARED NOW AND WHICH WILL COVER THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 1977.

2. THERE ARE TWO TECHNICAL PROBLEMS TO BE STRAIGHTENED OUT, BUT SRA. HERNANDEZ DOES NOT ANTICIPATE ANY DIFFICULTY. ONE IS THAT THE MINISTRY OF GOVERNMENT HAS ASKED FOR A PROFORMA INVOICE ON OFFICIAL FISCAL PAPER WITH FISCAL STAMPS. THE EMBASSY HAS INFORMALLY SUGGESTED THAT THE GOVERNMENT MIGHT ACCEPT THE DIPLOMATIC NOTE FROM THE EMBASSY AS EVIDENCE OF THE DEBT, OR ALTERNATIVELY, MIGHT ITSELF PREPARE THE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION REQUESTED BY THE MINISTRY OF GOVERNMENT. THE OTHER PROBLEM IS THAT THE AMOUNT OF THE DEBT, AS SPECIFIED IN THE EMBASSY'S NOTES OF JULY 29, 1975 AND APRIL 1, 1976, WAS \$291,414.64, WHEREAS THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AMOUNT THAT USPS IS NOW CLAIMING (REF B) IS \$554,902.26.

EMBASSY IS NOT ABLE TO SAY AT THIS TIME, WHICH AMOUNT WILL
BE PUT INTO THE 1977 BUDGET, BUT EMBASSY WILL SEEK
INCLUSION OF THE LARGER AMOUNT.

3. EMBASSY HAS FURNISHED COPIES OF ENCLOSURE TO REF B
TO FOREIGN MINISTRY SO THAT THEY CAN MAKE RECONCILIATION
OF OUR POSTAL ACCOUNTS WITH THEIRS.
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